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JUST ANOTHER MANIC MONDAY

PART II

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At a demonstration on Radiation, high school student Peter Parker was bitten by an Irradiated Spider from which he gained the Arachnid's Incredible Abilities. When a burglar killed his beloved Uncle Ben, a grief-stricken Peter vowed to use his Great Powers in the service of his fellow man, because he learned an invaluable lesson: With Great Power There Must Also Come Great Responsibility.

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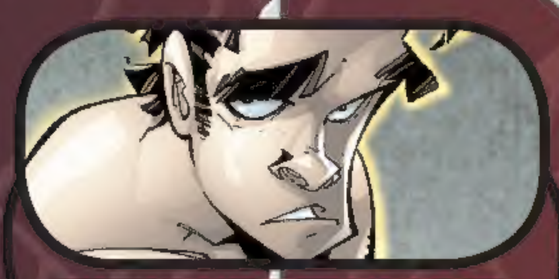
EVERYBODY'S WORKING FOR THE WEEKEND



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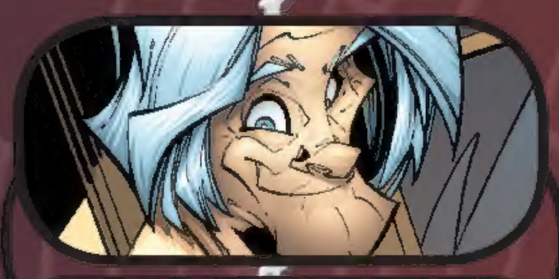
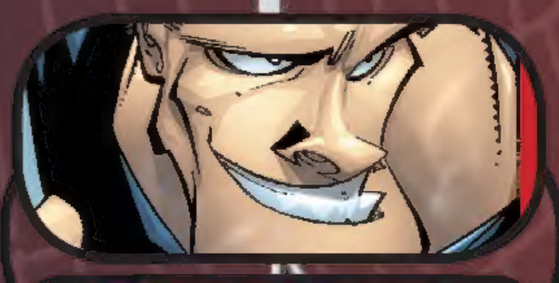


Aunt May
Parker

Herman Schultz
SHOCKER



Morrie Bench
HYDRO-MAN

PREVIOUSLY

When his childhood friend, Flash Thompson, is left comatose after a particularly nasty battle with the Green Goblin, Spider-Man is forced to ponder his place in the world. Is he truly helping people by engaging in battle after battle with the same villains? Has this life-or-death struggle become nothing more than a game?

Similar questions confront Hydro-Man and The Shocker when they find themselves "let go" by the unscrupulous Hammer Industries. The Shocker, also wondering how he got caught up in this senseless cycle of super-violence, tries to convince Hydro-Man to help him make one last score. One that will finally make his years as a second-rate villain profitable, and most importantly, one that will fly under the radar of a certain wall-crawler. Hydro-Man, not prepared to give up his vendetta against Spider-Man, instead suggests The Shocker set up a score that *will* attract attention.

The Shocker should have plenty of time to escape with the loot, while Hydro-Man is takes care of our hero. . .

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Oh. Whatever. Do you drink a lot of water, The Shocker?

No more than others.

And listen, there's no "the"--

You drink a lot of water, Herman?

Don't call me Herman... I'm trying to get in the zone here.

Well let me tell you, I'm an H_2O connoisseur. "You are what you drink," get it?

You think that I'd be one of these water snobs, right? Like I'd only drink fancy pure water or stuff like that?

But, y'know, that's not true. Pure water isn't a meal. I need something with a little more substance. Helps me keep a pigment.

Now **sea water**, that's pretty good, but it's not worth the aftertaste, know what I mean?

Are you almost done?

Yeah, --*urm* --just a sec'.

So, anyway, I need the minerals to increase my control-- that's what the hammer boys told me at least-- so if I had my way I'd sip Evian all day.

Evian's the mineral water, right?

I don't know...

But anyway, that's too expensive, which is funny. First you had filtered water, with all the minerals in tap water taken out, now people pay to have those minerals added. Funny, isn't it?

I never...

Are you sure we need this much water...

Yes! Hurry up!

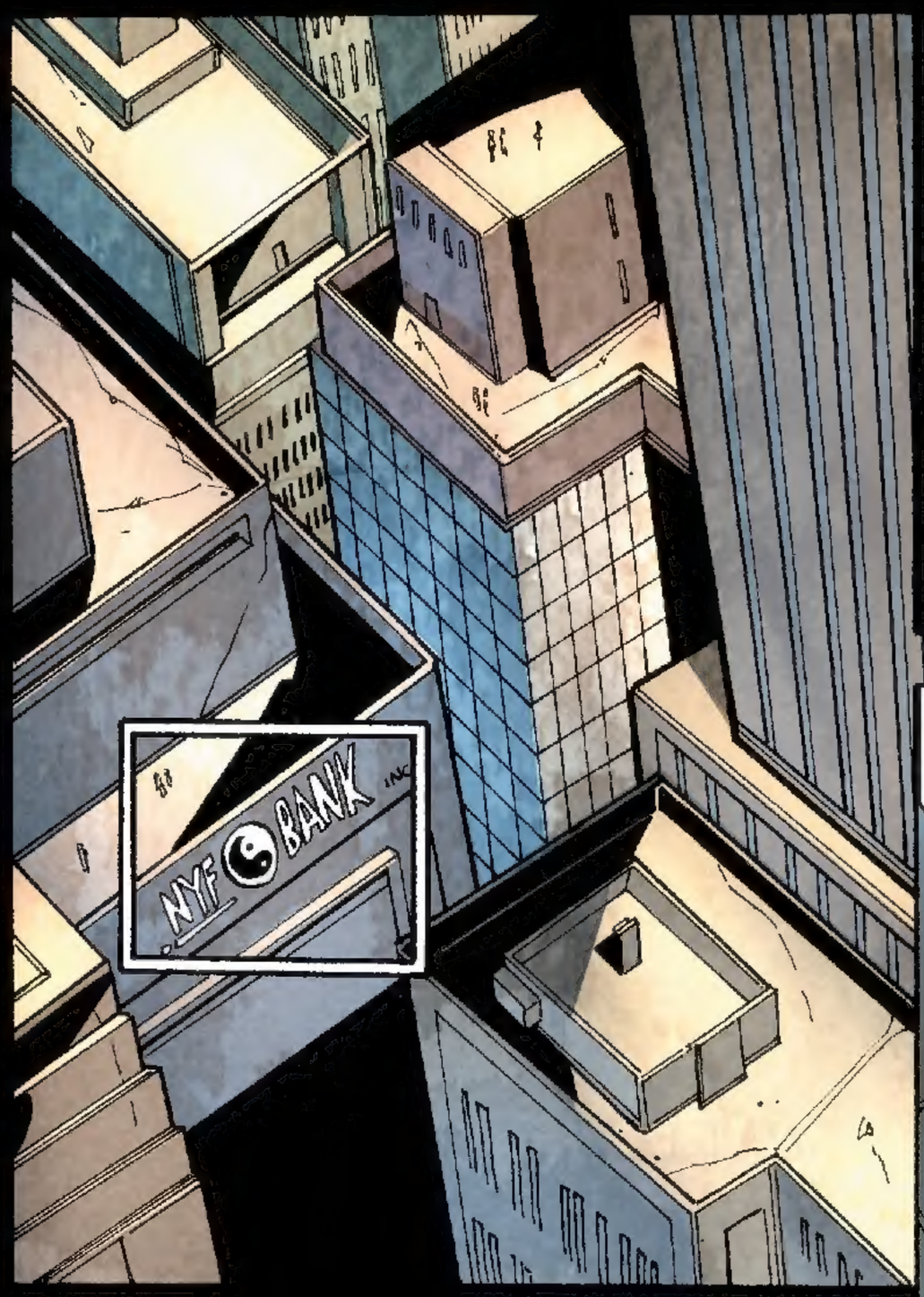
Okay!

So what I'm trying to say is this city water will work in a pinch... but *if* we finish this job...

This job's getting finished one way or the other, Hydro-Man. I score today or I don't go home.

I'm gonna open an account with Poland Springs.

No *"ifs"* about it.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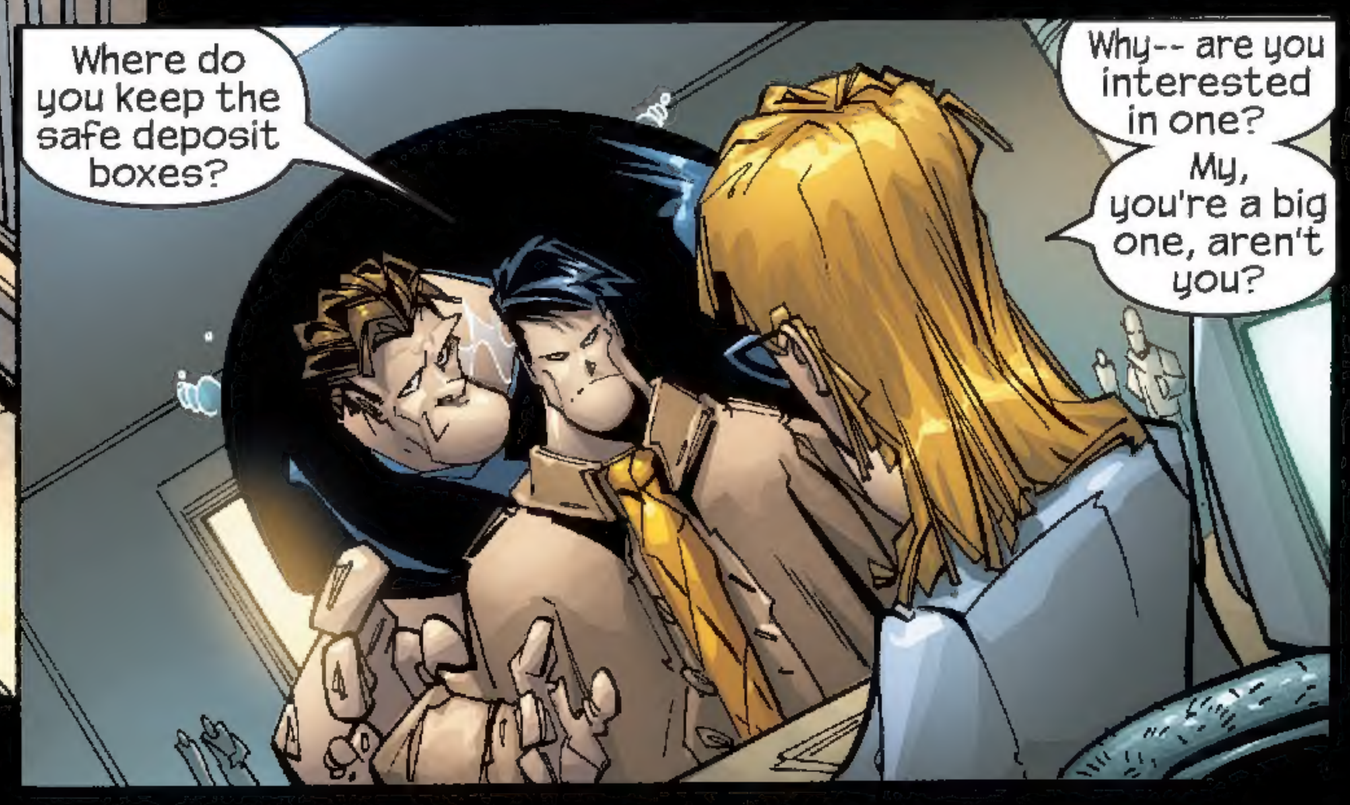
I think I might have overdone it.
Shhh.
Next.


Where do you keep the safe deposit boxes?
Why-- are you interested in one?
My, you're a big one, aren't you?

Heh. That's what they tell me. What's your name?
What are you doing?
Trista. You must get hit on all the time.

Nothing I can't handle, sweetheart.
I bet... hey, you're kind of sweating there...

Oh, uh...
Are you okay?

Uh, yeah. I-- harr--where's the bathr--

Stan Lee Presents

HYDRO-MAN AND THE SHOCKER IN EVERYBODY'S WORKIN' FOR THE WEEKEND

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SPLASH!

BANK

Now this is a day well spent.

So what do you think... what was it again?

Joe.

So what do you think, Joe? Do they look better on this wall or should we move them over there?

Doing a little decorating with my fellow man.

Oh, I don't know. I think the alley looked bigger when they were facing south.

Well I'm not going to move them around all day.

You guys are *hilarious.*

Hey, savor it while you can. I doubt the boys in blue are gonna do a routine.

Hey, thanks, Spider-Man. Getting mugged would have really blown my weekend.

This is why I signed up for this job...

Not worrying about a senseless vendetta with one of my rogue's gallery.

Holy--!

Yep, that seems about right.

SCHLURRP

This is real professional.

What the hell was that!?

I got a little... excited.

Forget I asked.

You'd better have enough water.

Relax. How you doing, sir?

I push a button and your thorax vibrates through your back.

Deposit boxes. Now.

We don't have much time. If this doesn't work, we bail.

Oh, please. We're super-villains. Let's act like it.

Let's just get it done and get out of here, unless you wanted to snag that teller's phone number real quick...

You're mean when you're jealous.

SWOOSH!

Oh yeah, these boxes aren't even close to air-tight.

You were right, Shocker, they **are** strong. You'll have to hit as soon as I get them pressurized.

...taking ...a ...lot ...of ...water.

Hit me.

Gladly.

EAARRARRGGH!

BOOOM!

1208

Ha... we did it. Six hundred boxes in thirty seconds.

HAHA!

What did I say, Hydro? The mob *patronizes* this place. Even if the dough runs out we could blackmail them for years!

Hydro?

BLUUP

Hey! Morrie! You've got about 30 seconds to pull yourself together before...

Hey there, sunshine!

Y'know, with all this talk about patriotism, it seems like you guys could lay off the federal banks for a while.

Hey, I was gonna spend it *here.*

SHAAAP!

Holy...

Someone's definitely gotten an upgrade since I've seen him.

You'd do best to stay out of this, punk. Don't give me a reason to stick around and finish you off.

Ahhh.

You mean to tell me this isn't an elaborate plot to draw me into the open?

Don't flatter yourself.

Well then, heck, let's do this!

It'll really cleanse my palat--

Spider-sense ting--

WHOA!

How many times are you going to be blindsided today, Parker?

Oh, great. A team-up. These usually go well.

Sorry, pal. Me and The Shocker aren't really on the same page.

I just want to make you die.

That can't be good...

CREAK

SHHHH

So... how long can you hold your breath?

Umph.

Why? You forget to brush your teeth?

On second thought, it's a good thing I went before I left. I owe you one, Aunt May.

Keep joking, funny man. You have no idea what I'm capable of. I could make your bladder empty just by thinking about it.

Uh... congratulations?

Almost finished! You got him?!

Oh yeah. I got him.

I hate it when you guys talk about me like I'm not here.

SHAAP!

You're not.

GAAAH!

Hey, man... how 'bout a heads-up next time?

Sorry.

Heads up.

And where do you think you're going?

HURK!

FWAAP!

@#$%!

Don't get greedy, Spider-Man. You have enough on your plate...

...or should I say, "fish bowl"?

Wha--

I hate it when they try to keep up with the puns.

Whoa, this guy can kick...

Good thing I was blessed with a paralyzing fear of drowning...

But no way I'm letting Shocker out of the woods.

Hmmmph!

He's not letting go! I'm gonna hit him again, Hydro!

No! I got him.

Okay then, you wanna get crazy...

You got him?! He's ruining everything! Punk's drowning and he won't let me go.

You wanna get crazy!?!

Let's get CRAZY!

What are you doing?

ARRRRRRG!

AHH--

GAAAHH!

ZAAAP

WEEEE WUP WUP WUP WUP

Ha. I told you...

Nothing's gonna stop me...

...nothing.

Freeze, Shocker!

Freeze--

Harry?

ZAP!

--gak

HARR!

Uncool, Shocker.

Freeze, Shocker! We have you surrounded.

It's...

...Shocker!

...The...

CRASH!

No way.

You're dead... once I collect myself...

showed them...

It's over, Shocker! You've done enough damage!

Hey buddy, you're not looking too good.

Hydro, keep *him* away from me!

Give me a chance.

=Cough=

I will not fail again!

You're gonna... let... me...

GO!

HOME!

Shocker... stop... your gauntlets... ... are going... to explo--

ZZZZZZZCARCARRR

BOOM!

Hydro-Man and the Shocker... the dumbest team up ever.

I think I shook some fillings loose, but at least I got clear in time.

Come on, you jerk, where are you?

Oh.

Don't...

Don't you laugh at me...

I think my ribs are poking through my chest...

...you always said I looked like a pin cushion.

Try to hold on... I'm sure the paramedics are on their way.

Get him... Hydro.

I think you turned him into steam.

Damn it. Why won't you let me get away with it once? If I could just do it once...

Why can't you just let it go... why do you always come running...

Look, Shocker, I'm not in the mood for a hero/villain heart-to-heart right now, okay? I'm tired of explaining myself to people like you.

People like me?! What makes you so different?!

Short answer, Shocker: you're selfish, I'm not. Or at least I *try* not to be.

Now grow up. My organs feel numb and I'm going home.

That's what us *heroes* get to do.

END